

# *Executive Proclamation*

## *State of South Dakota*

### *Office of the Governor*

*Whereas*, Hundreds of people die and thousands are injured each year in the United States as a result of electrically-related incidents; and,

*Whereas*, On average, 490 civilian deaths are related to electrical home structure fire each year, and more than 7 people are electrocuted each week in the United States; and,

*Whereas*, Following basic electrical safety precautions can help prevent injury or death to thousands of people each year; and,

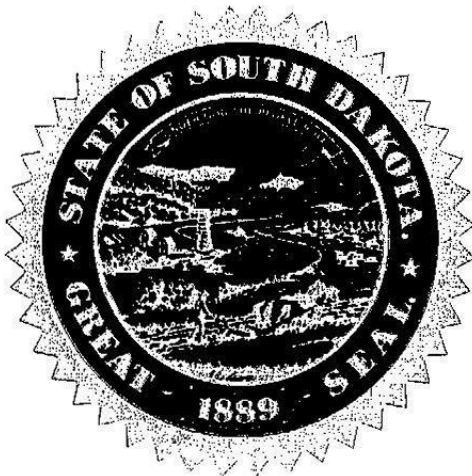
*Whereas*, Citizens are encouraged to protect their homes and families with the latest safety technology, such as ground fault circuit interrupters, arc fault circuit interrupters, and tamper resistant receptacles, and to install, test, and properly maintain an adequate number of smoke alarms; and,

*Whereas*, The Electrical Safety Foundation International (ISFI) is dedicated exclusively to promoting electrical safety in the home, school, and workplace through education, awareness, and advocacy; and,

*Now, Therefore, I, Dennis Daugaard*, Governor of the state of South Dakota, do hereby proclaim May 2011, as

### *ELECTRICAL SAFETY MONTH*

in South Dakota, and I, in conjunction with the South Dakota Electrical Commission call upon the people of South Dakota to take the Home Electrical Challenge, and to participate in other Electrical Safety Month activities.



*In Witness Whereof*, I have hereunto set my hand and caused to be affixed the Great Seal of the state of South Dakota, in Pierre, the Capital City, this Twenty-fifth Day of April in the Year of Our Lord, Two Thousand and Eleven.

*Dennis Daugaard*  
Dennis Daugaard, Governor

Attest:

*Jason M. Gant*  
Jason M. Gant, Secretary of State